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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Application Number  
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Invention Title

**IMPROVED METHODS FOR INSERTION OF  
NUCLEIC ACIDS INTO CIRCULAR VECTORS**

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action dated March 13, 2000, for which a response period expiring on June 13, 2000 was set. The extended period expires on September 13, 2000.

Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of **\$435.00** to the deposit account of **KENYON & KENYON**, deposit account number **11-0600**. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A copy of this communication is attached for charging purposes.

Dated: 9-12-00

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